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SATURDAY, JULY 26th.

The members of the Convention having assembled in the Court House, the Introductory Sermon was preached by the Rev. J. H. Luther, after which the Convention met, and was called to order by the President. The credentials of delegates were then called for, and the following names enrolled:

CHARLESTON ASSOCIATION.—J. R. Kendrick, B. Manly, J. P. Tustin, E. T. Winkler, J. L. Reynolds, N. Graham, J. K. Mendenhall, J. T. Zealy, I. Nicholes, B. C. Pressley, W. Y. Leitch, J. Scott, T. A. Wilbur, Sam'l Watson, A. A. Nettles.

EDGEFIELD ASSOCIATION.—J. M. Chiles, W. P. Hill, D. J. Walker, Z. Watkins, J. Jennings, J. T. Talbert, B. F. Corley, S. B. Brooks, L. Reynolds, B. M. Talbert, W. Smith, R. Zimmerman.

SAVANNAH RIVER ASSOCIATION.—H. D. Duncan, I. L. Brookes, W. J. Brookes, A. J. Lawton, J. A. Lawton, B. W. Lawton, J. S. Lawton, W. B. Carson, J. H. Luther.

WELSH NECK ASSOCIATION.—J. Culpeper, J. O. B. Dargan, T. P. Lide, A. E. McIver, J. C. Phelps, R. G. Edwards, J. W. Burn, J. F. Culpeper.

TIGER RIVER ASSOCIATION.—J. C. Furman, R. Furman, P. C. Edwards, G. F. Townes, C. J. Elford, J. G. Landrum, T. P. Brockman, J. S. Westmoreland, C. H. Judson, T. B. Roberts, H. W. Paslay, A. B. Woodruff.

REEDY RIVER ASSOCIATION.—J. B. O'Neall, B. F. Griffin, J. J. Brantly, S. Barksdale, T. J. Pearce, J. Goodlett, J. B. Carwile, A. K. Durham, J. Harrison, W. Philips, J. Blackburn.

SALUDA ASSOCIATION.—W. B. Johnson, A. Rice, V. Young, L. Barmore, J. C. Griffin, J. S. Murray.

SALEM ASSOCIATION.—T. Ray, A. M. Cartledge, G. W. Brooks, W. W. Gwin, H. A. Glenn, J. J. McCants, L. C. Hinton.

BETHEL ASSOCIATION.—T. D. Gwin.

EDISTO ASSOCIATION.—A. H. Fort, L. Cuthbert.

Charleston Female Missionary and Education Society.—R. F. Whilden, J. P. Boyce, E. T. Winkler.

Broad River Bible Society.—T. Curtis.

Young Men's Missionary Society of Furman University.—T. E. Hart, G. W. Hicks.

Newberry Church.—R. B. Holman, W. F. Harrington.

Newberry District Bible Society.—G. T. Scott, W. F. Nance, G. K. Gary.

The Convention then proceeded to vote for officers, and Rev. Jas. C. Furman, having declined a re-election, Rev. Dr. Manly was chosen President, and the other officers of last year—Rev. J. G. Landrum, Vice-President, and Rev. J. J. Brantly, Secretary—were re-elected. Prayer was then offered by Rev. Dr. Johnson.

A letter of correspondence from the Twelve Mile Association, was then presented and received; and the messengers, J. J. Wilson and N. R. Smith invited to take seats in the Convention.

1. On motion an invitation was extended to ministering brethren of our own denomination, not delegates to the Convention, and to ministers of other evangelical denominations, to take seats in the Convention.

2. The following resolution was offered and unanimously adopted:

Whereas the Rev. Jas. C. Furman having declined to serve any longer as President; it is therefore,

Resolved, That in his retirement, he carries with him the affectionate regards and respects of this body; and that the thanks of the same be presented to him, for his faithful discharge of duties during his Presidency.

Communications were received from the pastors of the Presbyterian and Methodist Churches, inviting the Convention to supply their pulpits to-morrow, and were referred to the committee on preaching.

4. It was ordered that the "Charity Sermon" be omitted for this time in order that the "Commencement Sermon" be preached in its place.

The Convention then took a recess until 5 p.m.

SATURDAY—AFTERNOON SESSION.

The Convention met, and was called to order by the President.

5. An invitation was extended to the representatives of kindred bodies, to take seats in the Convention; whereupon Rev. A. M. Poindexter, Corresponding Secretary of the Foreign Mission Board; Rev. I. T. Tichenor, representative of the Domestic Mission Board, and Rev. J. P. Tustin, Corresponding Secretary of the Publication Society, took seats.

The regular committees were then appointed as follows:

ON TIME AND PLACE OF NEXT MEETING, AND PERSONS TO PERFORM STATED SERVICES:—J. O. B. Dargan, G. F. Townes, W. F. Nance, R. F. Whilden, A. E. McIver.

ON ACCOUNTS.—John Scott, R. G. Edwards, W. Y. Leitch, T. P. Brockman, A. J. Lawton.

NOMINATION OF BOARD OF AGENTS.—Z. Watkins, J. T. Zealy, L. Cuthbert, J. C. Phelps, Jno. B. Carwile.

PREPARATION OF LIST OF MINISTERS, ETC.—H. W. Paslay, John Culpeper, N. Graham, Jos. A. Lawton, I. Nicholes.

ON NOTICE OF DECEASED MINISTERS.—T. Curtis, I. L. Brookes, E. T. Winkler, J. G. Landrum, J. B. O'Neall.

ON PREACHING.—R. Furman, C. H. Judson, C. J. Elford, brethren Goodlett and Williams.

ON MINUTES AND LETTERS OF CORRESPONDING BODIES.—J. R. Kendrick, A. Rice, T. P. Lide, W. B. Carson, W. W. Gwin.

The reports of the Boards being called for, the Bible Board presented theirs which was received and ordered to be printed, and will be found under the head of reports.

On motion adjourned to meet on Monday at 10 a.m.

SUNDAY, JULY 27th.

The "Commencement Sermon" was preached in the morning by Rev. Jas. C. Furman, in the afternoon the sermon before the Young Men's Missionary Society of Furman University was preached by the Rev. Dr. Manly, and at night the Rev. J. G. Landrum preached. The pulpits of the Presbyterian, Methodist, and Baptist Churches were also occupied during the day by members of the Convention.

MONDAY, JULY 28th—MORNING SESSION.

The Convention met, the President being in the chair. After prayer by Rev. H. D. Duncan, the minutes were read and adopted.

Rev. Messrs. Buist and Gaillard of the Presbyterian Church, Rev. Mr. Kennedy of the Methodist Church, and Rev. Messrs. Earle and R. Mayes of the Baptist Church, took seats in the convention under the resolution of Saturday.

6. The report of the Education Board was presented and recommitted with a view to the embodying of information, that may be obtained at this meeting.

7. The following resolution was adopted:

Resolved, That a general agent be appointed, in behalf of the various objects entrusted to the several Boards.

8. Ordered that a committee to consist of the Chairman, or in his absence the acting Chairman of each Board, be raised to nominate a suitable person to act as general agent.

9. On motion the Corresponding Secretary of the Publication Society was added to the committee, and Hon. J. B. O'Neall appointed Chairman. The Committee thus raised consisted of Hon. J. B. O'Neall for the Bible Board; Rev. J. K. Mendenhall for the Board of Missions, Publication and Colportage; C. J. Elford for the Sunday School Board; T. P. Lide for the Education Board; Rev. J. P. Tustin for the Publication Society.

10. On motion Dr. Witter, representative of the New Orleans "Coliseum Place Baptist Church" was invited to present to the Convention the claims of that Church.

11. The following resolutions were adopted:

1. *Resolved*, That it is the sense of this Convention, that the enterprise of the "Coliseum Place Baptist Church" in the city of New Orleans, La., is one which commends itself to the whole Baptist denomination of the State.

2. *Resolved*, That the position in which our brother James H. Low has been placed in consequence of his generously throwing himself in the breach, and securing the Paulding legacy, calls upon the generosity and justice of every Baptist for relief.

3. *Resolved*, That the subscription of the South Carolina Baptists ought to be raised to $5,000.

4. *Resolved*, That we request every Church within the bounds of our constituency, to make a collection before the first day of November next, for this purpose, the avails to be sent to Dr. S. Blanding, Treasurer of the Board of Mis-

sions, at Columbia, S. C., to be forwarded by him to James H. Low, Treasurer of the Coliseum Place Baptist Church in New Orleans.

The Convention then took a recess until 5 p.m.

MONDAY—AFTERNOON SESSION.

The Convention met and was called to order by the President.

The committee on the preparation of a list of ministers, reported that such a list is in course of preparation, and when completed will be handed to the Secretary.

12. The report of the Board of Missions, Publication and Colportage was submitted, and the Convention ordered that so much of it as relates to the "Entzminger Fund" be referred to a special committee. Rev. J. P. Boyce was appointed the committee, and the report was then received, and ordered to be printed, and will be found under the head of reports. It was also ordered, that Rev. J. P. Tustin, Corresponding Secretary of the Publication Society, be allowed an opportunity to present the claims of the Society, before the Convention to-morrow at 11 a.m.

13. Rev. E. T. Winkler appointed by the Convention which met in Augusta, in reference to a General Theological Seminary to bring the subject before this Convention, performed his duty; and on motion the subject was referred to a committee to report to morrow. The committee consisting of Hon. J. B. O'Neall, Rev. Jas. C. Furman, and Rev. Jas. P. Boyce.

14. The Treasurer's report was submitted and referred to the committee on accounts.

15. It was ordered that all monies sent up from the various parts of our constituency, be paid to the Treasurer, and that he be requested to furnish a statement of the same, to be printed in the minutes of this meeting.

16. It was ordered that the proceeds of the collection made after the sermon before the "Young Men's Missionary Society of Furman University" be paid over to the Society.

17. An opportunity was allowed Rev. J. T. Zealy, to present the case of the Columbia Church; and the following resolution was adopted:

Resolved, That this Convention realizes the absolute necessity for a new house of worship in Columbia, and recommends to the denomination, that the additional amount of $6,000 be raised for this purpose.

18. The committee to nominate a Board of agents, submitted their report, which was adopted, and will be found under the head of reports.

19. Several members asked leave of absence for the remainder of the Session, which the Convention granted for the reasons assigned.

The Convention then adjourned to meet to-morrow at half past 10 a.m. Prayer was offered by Rev. J. P. Tustin.

TUESDAY, 29th—MORNING SESSION.

The Convention met and was called to order by the President. After prayer by Rev. Dr. Reynolds, the minutes were read and adopted. The President then offered prayer in behalf of Brother Thomas Mason, a delegate to this Convention, but not present on account of sad domestic affliction.

In conformity with the order of yesterday Rev. J. P. Tustin presented the claims of the Publication Society.

20. The committee on notice of deceased ministers, then submitted their report, which was received and ordered to be printed, with the addition of the name of Rev. Jas. J. Long, a licentiate of the Furman University, and will be found under the head of reports.

21. The report of the committee on time and place of next meeting, and persons to perform stated religious services, was submitted and received, and will be found under the head of reports.

22. A communication was received from the "Young Men's Missionary Society of Furman University," placing the collection made on Sunday at the disposal of the Convention.

23. The amount of the above named collection was ordered to be equally divided between the Foreign and Domestic Mission Boards.

24. The committee on accounts to whom the Treasurer's report was referred, reported, and their report was received, and will be found under the head of reports.

25. A committee consisting of Rev. A. Rice, Rev. Jas. C. Furman, and C. J. Elford, was appointed to nominate a suitable person to be Treasurer of the Convention.

26. A committee consisting of the committee to nominate a Board of agents, was appointed to nominate members of the different Boards, and to consider the propriety of increasing the number of each Board.

27. The committee to whom was referred the subject of a General Theological Seminary, submitted their report, which was laid on the table for a recess.

The Convention then took a recess till 5, p.m.

TUESDAY—AFTERNOON SESSION.

The Convention met and was called to order by the President.

A communication was received from the Literary Societies of Furman University, inviting the Convention to attend the annual celebration of the Societies to-morrow at 11, a.m.

28. The report of the committee to whom the subject of a Common Theological Seminary was referred, was taken up. A minority report was substituted for this, and on motion was referred to Rev. Jas. P. Boyce.

After prayer by Rev. T. Ray, the Convention adjourned to meet after the address of to-morrow.

WEDNESDAY, 30th—MORNING SESSION.

The Convention met and was called to order by the President, and prayer was offered by Rev. Mr. Buist.

29. The committee to nominate a Treasurer reported the name of T. B. Roberts, and their report was concurred in, and Brother Roberts chosen Treasurer.

30. The report of the committee on minutes and correspondence was submitted and received, and will be found under the head of reports.

31. The report of the minority of the committee on the subject of a Common Theological Seminary, was submitted, amended and adopted, and will be found under the head of reports.

32. It was ordered that the agency of the Common Theological Seminary be entrusted to the General Agent of the Convention.

The Convention then took a recess until 4, p.m.

WEDNESDAY—AFTERNOON SESSION.

The Convention met, the President in the chair.

33. The following resolution was adopted:

WHEREAS, the Churches and Associations have been in the habit of sending their contributions for the Bible and Foreign and Domestic Missions, to the different Boards by agents, and otherwise, without being first sent to our respective Boards, located in this State by the Convention, and consequently not appearing in the minutes of the Convention; Therefore,

Resolved, That we recommend to the Churches and Associations in future, to send the amounts contributed for the said purposes, to the respective Treasurers of the Boards, located by this Convention, that the several amounts may appear in the minutes of the Convention.

34. The following resolution was adopted:

Resolved, That the General Agent be instructed to apply to the Associations, constituting this body, for means to defray the printing of the minutes of the present Session; and that the said associations be requested to make regular provision for this purpose hereafter.

35. The committee to nominate the different Boards submitted their report, which was received and will be found under the head of reports.

36. It was ordered that the same persons who were delegated to the Georgia Convention, last year, be messengers this year.

37. It was ordered that the same persons who were sent as messengers to the Western Convention of North Carolina last year, be the messengers this year.

38. The committee to nominate delegates to the Southern Baptist Convention, to be held in Louisville, Ky., submitted their report, which was adopted, and will be found under the head of reports.

39. It was ordered that G. F. Townes be a committee to see to the due execution of the Treasurer's bond.

40. The Treasurer submitted a statement of monies sent up to the Convention, not in his report, and will be found under the head of reports.

41. It was ordered that the thanks of this body be returned to the several Rail Road Companies which have extended to the delegates the privilege of passing over their roads for one fare; also to the citizens of this place for their kind and hospitable entertainment of the Convention; also to the Presbyterian and

Methodist Churches for the use of their Houses of Worship on Sunday; and to the commissioners of public building for the use of the Court House.

42. It was also resolved that the thanks of this Convention be presented to the Rev. Dr. Manly for his able, faithful and courteous discharge of the duties of the Chair, and to the Rev. J. J. Brantly, for his able, faithful and courteous discharge of the duties of Secretary.

B. MANLY, *President.*

JNO. J. BRANTLY, *Secretary.*

REPORTS.

REPORT OF THE BOARD OF MISSIONS, PUBLICATIONS AND COLPORTAGE.

The Board of Missions, Publication and Colportage, in presenting their third annual report, are pained that they are not able to offer more encouraging tokens of success. Only sixty-one dollars and sixty-five cents ($61 65) have been placed at their disposal, for the purposes of publication and colportage. We are pleased to state, that some of the Associations have manifested a deep interest in colportage, and it is deeply regretted, that all of them do not engage in this important work. The Associations of the State, are regarded as the proper organs, for conducting this important enterprise. In the early part of the year, the Board succeeded in obtaining the services of Rev. W. B. Elkins as missionary for Richland District. It is a source of gratitude to mention the pleasing success which has attended the labors of this zealous, self-denying missionary. No other missionary is under the control of the Board, nor has it the funds to support another, if he could be obtained. The Board regrets that it cannot present an accurate statement of the missionary operations within the State. It cannot ascertain the amounts contributed by individuals which were sent directly to the Foreign and Domestic Missionary Boards. It has not been able to obtain the minutes of more than eight Associations.—These have contributed

To Foreign Missions,	$1798 84
Domestic "	1101 70
Association Missions	2611 95
	$5,512 49

With regard to the publication interest of the Board, it is gratifying to state, that that the Southern Baptist Publication Society has secured an endowment of twenty-two thousand dollars during the past year. It is desirable to secure at least three thousand more to accomplish the object proposed.

Information has been received from the Trustee of the Entzminger Fund for Richland District, that the funds are not subject to our control, as was supposed, but are to be turned over to the Charleston Association.

J. R. MENDENHALL,
Corresponding Secretary.

REPORT OF THE BIBLE BOARD.

In making their annual report, the Bible Board are pleased to exhibit an encouraging account of last year's doings. Having a most important department of usefulness entrusted to our hands, we have naturally felt anxious to meet with corresponding exertions, what we felt to be expected of us. Our first two annual reports contained little more, than a mortifying confession of failure to accomplish anything. The fault we believe not to have been in ourselves, either in our devotion to the cause, or in the efforts we actually made to advance it. We appealed again and again to our Brethren, to give us the means of doing the work assigned to us, but our appeals were not responded to. It seemed as if having established the Board, our Brethren were satisfied with this; or as if they expected us, without any help from them, to do the whole work ourselves. We did hope that the members of the Convention, by whom the Board was established, would have brought the fact of its existence to the notice of their Churches and Associations, and urged a liberal and energetic support of it. But nothing of the sort, so far as we know, was done during the first two years of the Board's existence; and we determined to go to work on our own responsibility, and accomplish all that we could by our own exertions. Soon after the adjournment of the Convention last year, we visited Greenville, presented the claims of the Bible cause and the wants of the Board to the Church there, and organized a Bible Society for Greenville District, to be auxiliary to the Board. We afterwards visited the Reedy River Association, and there organized a Society in the Association to be auxiliary to the Board.—Having thus initiated the work of orgauization, and not being able personally to visit other places, we determined nevertheless that the important work of auxiliary organization must go on. Without funds, and without any plan of operations, recommended by our own experience, we thought it best however, to assume the responsibility of appointing an agent, and sending him out to visit as many parts of the State as possible, with a view to stir up an interest in the Bible cause. We did not expect so much at first, to raise any considerable amount of money, as to call attention to the great importance of our work, hoping that when the subject should have been fully presented to our Brethren throughout the State, money would not afterwards be wanting, to carry on our work. We thought it best to employ an agent at such a salary as would command all his time in our service; it seemed to us that this large expenditure of force in starting the machinery, was uo more than the necessity of the case required. We believed, and we still believe, so large an outlay made at first, in giving a vigorous start to the undertaking, to be more economical, than smaller sums expended in successive and feebler efforts. Our agent was charged specially with the business of organizing auxiliary Bible Societies, and out of their contributions his salary was to be paid. And we hoped, that when this organization should have been effected through the State, we should hereafter have funds enough from the annual contributions of the auxiliaries, to continue the agency and the work of Bible distribution. And we are satisfied, that if such an organization could be effected, and if annual contributions, pressing lightly on individuals, were regularly and promptly made, your Board would always have funds enough in hand to meet the wants of the destitute in our State.—

We appointed and commissioned as our agent, Rev. A. K. Durham, who entered upon his work soon afterwards, and visited several Churches and Associations, organizing in them all, auxiliary societies. He was employed at first for three months, as an experiment. His success in that time, in organizing societies, and raising funds, was such as fully to justify us in having made the experiment. He not only secured enough money to defray his own expenses, but to leave a considerable balance in the hands of the Treasurer. At the expiration of his engagement he resigned the agency for personal reasons. A prospect then offered of securing the services of a brother in North Carolina, who would have made a most efficient agent; the agency was offered to him, and on his declining it, we thought it best to employ no one, until after the meeting of the Convention. We think it absolutely necessary to have an agent; and we hope to be able to secure the services of a brother in this capacity, well known in the State, and who has already proved himself to be well fitted for the service. When the work is fully underweigh, we propose that our agent shall not act as an agent merely, but also as a missionary and colporteur; holding meetings with the Churches, seeking out the destitute and supplying their wants.

As to the organization of auxiliary societies, we are satisfied that this must be done. We know that if Christians were always and everywhere under the supreme control of that spirit which loves to devise liberal things for God, and finds its constant employment in forming plans, and pursuing motives, which stand in direct connexion with the glory of God, and the well being of man; if at all times and in all places the love of Christ constrained them, and the glory of Christ urged them to perform the duties which he has commanded, there would be no need for any organizations outside of the Church. In that case every Church would be itself a thoroughly organized and thoroughly efficient society for all the purposes of active benevolence. In that case the only agent we should need to enforce the duty of charity, would be the indwelling spirit of love to God and man. But this not being the case, ours being but an imperfect state, and piety being liable through the weakness and waywardness of human nature, to many fluctuations, we do need agents and organizations, to excite the devotion of the lukewarm, to stimulate the zeal of the indolent and careless, and to keep constantly before the minds of all the great obligations of duty. Your Board are not fully committed to any one plan of organization; but we think the plan ought to be as simple as possible. That of District Bible Societies, we think, perhaps is the best. Such a society has been in existence in Newberry District for twenty years. This society has been accustomed to hold its meetings once a year, with each church in succession in the district. It has three times gone the rounds of the churches, and every year its contributions have amounted to at least $50. The President and other officers have always made it a matter of duty and conscience, to attend the meetings. A sermon and an address have been regularly delivered; and in passing over the district in this way, most if not all the members of the different Churches have been from time to time enrolled as members of the Society. The price of membership has been fixed at one dollar per annum; life membership at ten dollars.—Much interest has always been manifested at the annual meetings, and we believe that if a similar society were formed in every district, and kept up with the same diligence and perseverance, your Board would have it in their power

to do much in the work of Bible distribution. Where the Districts are large, and the Churches numerous, two or more District Societies might be formed. Besides the contributions from societies we might reasonably count on securing through our agent, contributions from individuals to a considerable amount, which in addition to the others would give us money enough to carry on a large and useful work. The plan of having Associational and Church Societies, in addition to District Societies, we do not entirely approve, as making the organization too complicated. Where such societies have already been formed, it was done to create an immediate interest in the Bible cause, and from the fact of our being without experience of the working of a plan, embracing the three kinds of organizations. We prefer the simple plan to which reference has been made, though we would have the Associational and Church Societies already established, to go on. If it be the purpose of the Convention to continue this Board, we hope to be aided and sustained in our efforts. We can do nothing without your assistance. We are willing to give ourselves to the work, but it is evident enough that no amount of cheerful service on our part will avail to accomplish any good results, without the zealous co-operation of our Brethren. If your Board is not to be a mere cipher; if it is not to have something more to do, and is not to do something more than fill a place in the nominal organization of the Convention, we must have help. Better to abolish the Board at once, than to give us work to do without the means of doing it. We entreat you then ,Brethren, to help us; let every member of the Convention, whether an official person in the Church or not, advocate, in all the ways he can, the claims of the Bible cause, and present and urge the wants of the Board, and let every one do this constantly and faithfully, and we ask nothing more at your hands. Your Board so far as they are able, will personally visit the Churches and Associations for this purpose. They will employ an agent, and they will exert themselves to the extent of their abilities, in helping forward the work. The Societies organized during the past year, or previously existing and in connexion with the Board, are as follows:

Newberry District Bible Society,
Greenville " " "
Reedy River Asso'l " "
Salem " " "
Bethel " " "
Welsh Neck " " "
Sav'ah River " " "
Bush River Church " "
Pine Pleasant " " "
Goodhope " " "

The money received, expended and now in hand, as appears by the Treasurer's report, is as follows:

Amount received, ...	$1075 01
" expended, ...	659 15
" on hand	415 86

Of the whole amount reported above as received, a considerable portion was not paid directly to the Treasurer of this Board, but was sent to the Treasurer of the General Board, at Nashville, and by him reported to our Board, to appear in our report, along with money paid into our Treasurer's

hands, so as to show the whole amount contributed by the State, for the Bible cause. The understanding with the General Board is, that whatever money may be sent directly to them, from the State, will be expended in this State, on application; and whatever money is paid directly to our Board, is to be reported to them, so that the report of the General Board, may show the whole amount actually contributed by the State. It is desirable, however—and we now make the request of all auxiliary societies and other contributors in this State—that all contributions be hereafter sent to our Treasurer, Mr. John B. Carwile, Newberry, So. Ca. He will then report to the Treasurer of the General Board, and it will amount to the same thing, as if the money had passed through his hands, with this difference however, that if the money should be needed in this State, it will not have first to be sent to Nashville, and then back to Newberry. The Treasurer has given a bond in the sum of one thousand dollars. It was ordered at the last meeting of the Board, "that on the application of any Baptist minister in this State, Bibles be furnished him for sale, and gratuitous distributions." This will enable all who are disposed to do so, to act as colporteurs for the Board. We now commend this cause to your prayers and sympathies and charitable regards. We earnestly call upon you to aid us in this blessed work. Let the animating consideration be present to your minds, that whatever you may do in this cause, with which, as well as with others, God has been pleased to connect his glory, shall not be in vain. "Be ye strong therefore, and let not your hands be weak, for your work shall be rewarded." If the rewards of benevolence were confined to the present life, they would still constitute an ample equivalent for all the sacrifices made in their pursuit. The servants of such a cause, the ministers of such an interest, would be well paid. All their losses would be richly compensated. But the high rewards of well doing are reserved for the state of ultimate retribution.

Our charities when multiplied to their most imposing extent, are utterly worthless when put forward as the price of salvation. Their value lies in the spirit of humility and self-renunciation with which they are made, and from which they proceed. When consecrated purely to the glory of God; when simply expressive of devout gratitude; when marked with the imprint of godly sincerity, they become an offering which Heaven regards with complacence.—How inconsiderable soever such acts may be, they shall not lose their reward. Though in themselves but small fractional parts of the great integral system of duty, they shall be considered of sufficient importance to be proclaimed before an assembled universe, and to become the elementary principles of everlasting life. The honor which the Almighty thus bestows on our feeble ministration should teach us their importance. In truth nothing done in the cause of God, and with the single aim of advancing his authority and extending the blessings of His grace, can be little. His presence imparts a luster to every object; His command gives force to every observance, and His approving benediction, is the one great and much desired end towards which His servants are pressing.

JNO. J. BRANTLY, *Secretary.*

REPORT OF THE EDUCATION BOARD.

In making their second annual report, your Board are sorry to say, that the prospects of success in the furtherance of the objects for which they were appointed by your body, are far less encouraging, than they could wish, or than the importance of those objects would seem to demand. To the support of the three beneficiaries, now engaged in a course of study, at the Furman University, the whole amount in the treasury of the Board was appropriated in the early part of the present session, but has proved insufficient to meet their expenses, the Treasurer being now considerably in advance of their half year's allowance. In order to meet this difficulty, the Corresponding Secretary, by the direction of the Board, published in the columns of the Southern Baptist a circular to the Churches and Associations throughout the State, soliciting their aid in supplying the amount thus advanced, and the additional amount necessary to the whole year's expenses of the young brethren referred to; but so far no response has been made. Your Board had hoped, that they would be able if they could not bring under their supervision the contributions to this cause of the denomination at large, at least to report to your Body, what was being done in this department of Christian benevolence. But in this also they have been disappointed, having failed to obtain any information on the subject. The only Body, of the amount of whose contributions in this matter your Board have any knowledge, is the Welsh Neck Association. It is perhaps due to this Association to say, that while they heartily concur in the appointment of your Board for the purpose contemplated, yet owing to the requirements of their constitution, they do not feel at liberty to operate through them, in the aid which they may be enabled to extend to young men preparing for the ministry. Their own Board of Education have the control of this matter, and are now furnishing the means of support to two beneficiaries at the University. Your Board would in conclusion state, that they deem it important to adopt some specific rules, necessary to a successful advancement of the interest entrusted to them. They have therefore determined upon the following:

1. That all beneficiaries of this Board be required to give their individual bond, to refund the amount severally expended by them in the prosecution of their studies, provided they shall abandon their studies, without the consent of the Board, before completing their course; or devote themselves to other pursuits, to the exclusion of ministerial labor. The bond thus given shall bear interest from the time of their dissolving their connection with the Board,—Your Board regards this course proper, in view of the frequent delinquency on the part of students in these respects; thus disappointing the purpose of the donors, and wasting the funds appropriated for their benefit.

2 That hereafter all applicants for assistance from this Board, be required to appear before them, for examination, during the annual sitting of the State Convention, and at whatever place said Convention shall meet, or in the meantime at Darlington C. H., having given previous notice to the Board of their intention to this effect.

Respectfully submitted.

G. B. Bealer, *Cor. Secretary.*

The above report was recommitted, that such statistics as could be obtained from persons in attendance upon the Convention, might be appended. The following statement is the result:

Number of beneficiaries sustained by individuals,	3
Number sustained by Tiger River Association and individuals,	1
" " " Charleston Female Missionary and Educ'n Society,	1
" " " Charleston Association,	2
" " " Savannah River Association,	1
" " " Reedy River Association,	1
" " " McBryde Fund,	1
" specified in body of report,	5
Total,	15

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON GENERAL THEOLOGICAL SEMINARY.

The committee of the Convention to whom was referred the action of the Convention in Augusta, regarding a Common Theological Institution, would recommend the Convention to make the following reply to their inquiries:

That the funds for theological purposes in the State of South Carolina, are no longer in the hands of the State Convention of the Baptist denomination, but have been transferred by them to the Board of Trustees of the Furman University;

That we believe that *that* Board will transfer those funds to the Trustees of the Common Institution, upon the same conditions which we annex to our offer for a location at Greenville;

That we will try to raise an amount which conjointly with those funds, shall secure to such an Institution from this State, the sum of one hundred thousand dollars;

Provided that these donations are made upon the condition, that the Institution shall be located at Greenville, S. C.;

That the said Institution shall be further endowed with an additional sum of one hundred thousand dollars; and that should an Institution thus endowed, not be kept up at that place, the funds given by the Board of the Furman University, or raised by this Convention, shall inure to the Furman University, for Theological purposes in South Carolina.

Your committee further recommend, that the Brethren I. L. Brookes, J. C. Furman, J. P. Boyce, J. G. Landrum, and J. A. Lawton shall be appointed our delegates to meet in Convention at Louisville, such brethren as shall be appointed from States and Colleges, to consider the subject of Theological education, and that these brethren be empowered to fill all vacancies in their number.

And still further they recommend, that measures be taken by the Convention at once, to find out what amount of funds can be collected from the Baptists of this State for this purpose, and how far our delegates to Louisville can say positively, that the amount has been raised, the report of the Agent being made to the Chairman of that delegation.

And also that the donations thus secured, whether amounting to seventy thousand dollars or more, or less, be considered—unless expressly otherwise limited—as pledges which shall inure to the Furman University, for Theological purposes in South Carolina, if the proposition thus made shall not be accepted within two years from the 1st June, 1857.

Also that the pledges shall be taken in the form of bonds, payable to the Treasurer of this Convention, one half on the 1st January, 1858, the other half on the 1st January, 1859, the funds to be held in trust by this Convention, and to be applied by them, in accordance with the foregoing provisions.

JAMES P. BOYCE, *Com.*

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE TO NOMINATE A GENERAL AGENT.

The committee appointed to select a suitable General Agent for the different Boards, have had the subject under consideration. They have been unable to do more, than to select a General Agent for the balance of this calendar year. Dr. H. W. Pasley, in the judgment of this committee, is the only available person within our reach, who can enter *upon the work at once*, and carry out the purposes of the Convention. He can, and will proceed immediately to visit all the Associations. It is very desirable that such of these bodies, as have no correspondence with the convention, should at once be brought (if possible) to see, that they would best promote the cause of the Great Head of the Church, by becoming constituent members. This Dr. Paslay—if any one can accomplish it—will do.

The scheme of labor for each Board will be pointed out by it; and they are requested to furnish at a very early day, the same to the General Agent. The committee would *especially* charge him with the duty of extending the circulation of the Southern Baptist, and the interest of the Publication Society. He will be content with a salary of one thousand dollars per annum; and his expenses, not to exceed two hundred dollars in one entire year, to be paid. These sums, the committee think, should be borne and paid by the different Boards, who may have his services rateably, and to whom he is directed to make quarterly reports, and to pay over the funds collected.

The committee recommend that at the end of the year, or as soon after as practicable, they be authorized to appoint a permanent General Agent of the Convention; or to discontinue the office if the working should show the scheme to be unprofitable.

JOHN BELTON O'NEALL, *Chairman.*

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON DECEASED MINISTERS.

Your committee to whom was assigned the duty of making a brief record of deceased ministers, beg leave to report, that God in His mercy has deprived us this year of but *two* ministerial brethren. Brother J. S. Shadrack, of the Edgefield Association, and Brother Jonathan Davis, of the Salem Association.

Brother Shadrack died at about 45 years of age, having been an ordained minister among us between five and six years. He was originally connected with the Methodist Church; was an exhorter in that connection for some years, and licensed by his Baptist brethren to preach a considerable time before he was ordained. Throughout his life he sustained an unimpeached moral character; enjoyed the entire confidence of his brethren in all he undertook for them; and is gone, we cannot doubt, to render an account that will be accepted of the talents committed to him.

Brother Jonathan Davis was at his death in his seventieth year, above thirty of which he had been in the ministry. He was a man of superior natural powers, of remarkable decision of character, and of considerable success in the ministry of his brighter days. He was self-sacrificing, and liberal, while he had the means of being so; always energetic and industrious in his various callings. It pleased God that he should become lame, by a serious accident, and to bring other clouds of trial over his later days, but he passed through all with an unwavering faith. He was a very faithful member of the Board of this Convention, and for a number of years its President, at all times manifesting a deep interest in the objects which our Convention is designed to promote; and even after he became crippled, he still continued his pious labors; while an invalid his zealous interest in the advancement of our Saviour's kingdom led him to accept an appointment as agent for one of our Mission Boards, and the exhaustions of this service are thought to have accelerated his death. The committee have also come to the knowledge of the death of our young Brother James J. Long, a licensed minister, and at the time of his death a student in the Furman University. He was a young man of uncommonly fine promise, a diligent and apt scholar; he would have graduated at the commencement of this year, and according to the testimony of one of his instructors would have been easily the first in the class.

T. CURTIS, *Chairman.*

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE TO PREPARE A LIST OF MINISTERS AND THEIR POST OFFICES.

The committee on the names of ministers and their post offices, beg leave to report, that there is a complete list of all the ministers in the State, together with their post offices, in preparation, and will be completed and handed over to the Secretary, in time to be published in the minutes of the Convention.

H. W. PASLAY, *Chairman.*

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON TIME AND PLACE OF NEXT MEETING, AND PERSONS TO PERFORM STATED RELIGIOUS SERVICES.

The committee on time on time and place of next meeting, and persons to preach, recommend Greenwood as the place of meeting; time Saturday before the fourth Lord's Day in July. Introductory sermon by Rev. E. T. Winkler, Alternate Rev. J. A. Lawton. Charity sermon Rev. J. J. Brantly; Alternate Rev. H. A. Duncan.

J. O. B. DARGAN, *Chairman.*

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE TO NOMINATE DELEGATES TO THE SOUTHERN BAPTIST CONVENTION.

The committee to nominate delegates to the Southern Baptist Convention re-

port the following names: Rev. Dr. Manly, Rev. J. P. Tustin, Rev. J. G. Landrum, Rev. Dr. Curtis, Rev. I. L. Brookes, Rev. H. D. Duncan, Rev. J. P. Boyce, Rev. E. T. Winkler, Rev. J. R. Kendrick, Rev. J. J. Brantly, Rev. J. O. B. Dargan.

J. R. MENDENHALL, *Chairman.*

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE TO NOMINATE A BOARD OF AGENTS.

The committee to nominate a Board of agents, report the following names: Prof. C. H. Judson, Rev. J. R. Kendrick, Rev. R. Furman, Rev. J. O. B. Dargan, Rev. J. P. Boyce, and the officers of the Convention.

Z. WATKINS, *Chairman.*

REPORT OF COMMITTEE TO NOMINATE BOARDS.

The committee appointed to nominate members of the different Boards, and to consider the propriety of increasing the number of each Board, report that they do not recommend an increase in the members of the Boards at this time. They recommend the appointment of the following Boards for the ensuing year:

Board of Missions, Publication, and Colportage, at Columbia.—President, J. T. Zealy; Secretary, J. R. Mendenhall; Treasurer, J. Walker; Managers, L. C. Hinton, J. Scott, A. H. Fort, J. W. Powell.

Sunday School Board, at Greenville.—President, C. J. Elford; Secretary, T. O. Donaldson; Treasurer, Richard Furman; Managers, J. G. Landrum, T. J. Earle, J. W. Long, G. F. Townes.

Education Board, at Darlington.—President, T. P. Lide; Secretary, G. B. Bealer; Treasurer, Dr. S. H. Pressley; Managers, R. G. Edwards, Allen McIver, J. O. B. Dargan, J. W. Burns.

Bible Board, at Newberry.—President, J. B. O'Neall; Secretary, J. J. Brantly; Treasurer, J. B. Carwile; Managers, W. H. Harrington, G. T. Scott, B. F. Griffin, J. R. Gary.

Z. WATKINS, *Chairman.*

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON MINUTES AND CORRESPONDENCE.

The committee on minutes and letters of corresponding bodies, report that they are aware of no communications requiring attention, except one from the Twelve Mile Association, which communication cannot be found. They recommend that corresponding messengers be appointed to attend the next meeting of that body, and that a letter be written for them to bear.

J. R. KENDRICK, *Chairman.*

REPORT OF THE TREASURER, AND REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON ACCOUNTS.

DR. *C. J ELFORD, Trea'r, in account with the State Convention of the Baptist Denomination in South Carolina.* CR.

1855.					1855.			
July.	To sundry amounts received, viz:				July.	By sundry amounts paid. viz:		
	Public collection at Newberry,			$213 55		J. J. Brantly, Secretary for Minutes of 1855,		$113 55
	Bethel Association for For'gn Missions.	$ 47 87½				The Furman University for Professors' salaries, am't sent up by Savannah River Association for Convention Fund,		195 67
	Dome'c "	47 87½				B. C. Pressley, Treasurer of Southern Baptist Convention,		
			95 75			Foreign Missions,	$650 36½	
	Mrs. Margaret Robinson, Foreign "		10 00			Domestic "	507 79½	
	Young Men's Miss'y Soc'y, " "		29 00			African "	4 75	
	James C. Furman, " "	$100 00				Indian "	50 00	
	Domestic "	5 00						1212 91
			105 00			S. H. Pressly, Treasurer of Educational Board,		19 50
	Tyger River Assoc'n, Foreign "	$215 15				S. Blanding, Treasurer of Publication and Missionary Board,		3 00
	African "	3 50				J. J. Brantly, Secretary for Minutes,		10 79
			218 65					
	Sava'ah " " Domestic "	$305 67						
	Convention Fund,	195 67						
			501 34					
	Salem Association, Educational purposes,		19 50					
	Edgefield " Foreign Missions,	$248 34						
	Southern Domestic "	149 25						
	Convention Minutes,	10 79						
	Publication Society,	3 00						
	African Missions,	1 25						
			412 63					
	Female Missionary and Education Society, Indian Missions,		50 00					
				$1555 42				$1555 42

Report of the Committee on accounts.—The Committee to whom was referred the Treasurer's Report, ask leave to report that they have examined the same, and find the accounts correct, and properly vouched.

JOHN SCOTT, *Chairman.*

Statement of Monies sent up, and not included in the Treasurer's Report

Black Swamp Female Benevolent Society—		
Indian Missions, - - - - - -		$41 00
China " - - - - - - -		22 00
Central Africa Missions, - - - -		17 00
Furman Theological Institution, - - -		10 00
		$90 00
Young Men's Missionary Society of the Furman University,		$100 00
Foreign Missions, - - - - -	$50 00	
Domestic Missions, - - - - -	50 00	

C. J. ELFORD, *Treasurer.*

REPORT OF THE TREASURER OF THE BIBLE BOARD.

DR. *The Bible Board of the Baptist State Convention of South Carolina, in account with J. B. CARWILE, Treas, from July, 1855, to July, 1856.* CR.

1855.	Received of C. J. Elford, Treasurer of the Convention, one-fifth collection at Greenville, 1854,	$23 33	
"	Amount sent up by Savannah River Association,	33 86	
			$57 19
"	Received of A. K. Durham, Agent of the Board—		
"	From Bethel Association,	42 00	
"	" " " Bible Society,	10 00	
"	" Marbinton Church,	5 00	
"	" Reedy River Association Bible Society,	75 00	
"	" Salem " " " "	59 00	
"	" " Association,	5 00	
"	" Great Swamp Church,	5 00	
"	" Savannah River Association,	126 80	
"	" " " " Bible Society,	41 00	
"	" Donations,	16 45	
"	" A Young Lady,	1 00	
			386 30
"	Received amount contributed to A. C. Dayton, for Bible Board Southern Baptist Convention, at Newberry, July, 1855,	162 00	162 00
"	Received of T. P. Lide, Treasurer of the Welsh Neck Association Bible Society,	13 00	
"	" " The Newberry District Bible Society,	85 61	
			98 61
"	" Amount contributed to Bible Board, Southern Baptist Convention—		
"	From Bethel Church,	20 00	
"	" Calvary Church,	6 05	
"	" Dry Creek Church,	4 00	
"	" Big Stevens Creek Church,	5 00	
"	" Bethel Church,	11 25	
"	" Union Church,	3 50	
			49 80
"	Received of Bush River Church Society,	22 00	22 00
1856.	" Amount contributed to Bible Board, Southern Baptist Convention—		
"	From Union Bible Society, Beaufort District,	100 00	
"	" Mount Tabor Church,	1 25	
"	" Black River Church,	3 00	
			104 25
"	Received of S. Barksdale, Treasurer of Reedy River Association Bible Society,	11 00	
"	" " Newberry District Bible Society,	108 00	
"	" " C. H. Judson, Treasurer, Greenville District Bible Society,	75 00	
			194 86
			$1,075 01

1855.	By amount paid A. C. Dayton, Corresponding Secretary Bible Board, Southern Baptist Convention—		
"	Amount contributed as per contra,	$162 00	
"	By amount paid A. C. Dayton, contributed by different churches, to Bible Board, Southern Baptist Convention, as per contra,	49 80	
			$211 80
"	" " paid A. K. Durham, Agent of the Board, in part salary,	50 00	
"	" " paid Reid & Norris, for printing,	3 00	
			53 00
1856.	" " paid A. K. Durham, Agent of the Board, in full, salary,	200 00	
"	" " paid Smith & Whilden, for Bibles and Testaments,	39 00	
"	" " " Expenses on " "	1 10	
			240 10
"	" " A. C. Dayton, contributed to Bible Board, Southern Baptist Convention, as per contra,		104 25
"	" " paid for Bibles and Testaments, for Greenville District Bible Society,		50 00
			659 15
"	Balance on hand, July 26, 1856,		415 86
			$1,075 01

CONSTITUTION.

REVISED AND AMENDED.

We, the Representatives of the constituent bodies of the State Convention of the Baptist Denomination in South Carolina, do agree upon the following Articles, as forming the annexed Constitution of the Convention, and the basis of the union:

ARTICLE I.

This Body shall be styled the State Convention of the Baptist Denomination in South Carolina.

ARTICLE II.

The grand objects of this Convention shall be: The promotion of religious education, and particularly that of pious young men designed for the Gospel ministry; the spread of the Gospel by Foreign, Domestic, and State Missionary operations; by the circulation of the sacred scriptures; and by such means as may be devised from time to time, for the promotion of the interests of Education, Publication and the Sunday School system,—to bring the Baptist Churches in this State into closer union,—to harmonize their views and feelings in things spiritual, by conferring together on all matters of interest respecting the Kingdom of God,—and in general to direct and concentrate their efforts in such measures as may, in their opinion, tend to promote the glory of God and the spread of evangelical knowledge in the earth. The Convention, though not unwilling to give advice in cases of difficulty, yet will claim to itself no power to lord it over God's heritage, believing that the right of government, under Christ, is vested in the Churches themselves.

ARTICLE III.

The Convention shall consist of Delegates from the several Baptist Associations in this State who may approve of the measures here adopted; and of Representatives from other religious bodies of the Baptist connexion, concerned in the promotion of the same objects with the Convention; the number of Delegates and Representatives bearing always a just proportion to the number of their constituents. The attending Delegates shall be

a quorum to do business. The appointment of these Delegates shall be made annually or biennially, as the Convention shall determine to hold its meeting; and a certificate of their appointment shall be exhibited to the Convention. The members of the Board of Agents shall be ex-officio members of the new Convention.

ARTICLE IV.

The Convention shall have a President, Vice-President, Secretary and Treasurer. It shall also have a Board of Agents for the transaction of business during its recess, consisting of eight members—the Treasurer ex-officio being one of them—any three of whom duly convened, shall be a quorum. The duties severally assigned to the officers of similar institutions shall devolve on those of this body, according to their rank and character in the Convention and in the Board. The Board, as Agents, shall be adequate to the performance of all necessary business which may occur during the recess of the Convention. Both Officers and Agents shall hold their station—unless forfeited by unrighteous conduct—till a new election. The Board shall have the power to fill vacancies in their own body.

ARTICLE V.

The support of an Institution of learning in this State shall be considered as a primary object. One of the designs of this Institution is to assist those who, in the judgment of their churches, are called to preach the Gospel, that they may "study to show themselves workmen approved unto God, that need not to be ashamed, rightly dividing the word of truth." Those of this character who need pecuniary aid may receive it, at the discretion of the Convention, from funds appropriated to this object. The government of this Institution shall be committed to a Board of Trustees to be elected by the Convention at the end of every fourth year.

ARTICLE VI.

Ministers of the Gospel in any of our Churches needing aid in the more necessary part of learning, and unable to attend at the Institution, may be furnished with a supply of the most useful books, from the general fund for education purposes.

ARTICLE VII.

Although contributions in money shall not be considered requisite to entitle to a representation in the Convention, yet this body will receive such contributions from any of its constituent bodies that may wish to aid in the support of missionary service among the destitute, either at home or abroad; of the education of pious young men who may be approved by the Churches to which they belong, as called of God to preach the Gospel; or any other scheme of benevolence tending to the increase of evangelical and useful knowledge, or of vital, practical religion.

And the right of conducting the business of the fund will be considered as vested exclusively in the representatives of bodies which do regularly contribute. In the election of the Board of Trustees of Furman University, the vote shall be cast only by the representatives of the larger bodies, viz: Associations—which enter into the constituency of the Convention. The extent of this right on the part of each Association, shall be measured by the amount it may have contributed to the vested funds of the Convention, whether this contribution shall have been made directly by the donation of Churches or of individuals within its limits; and the contribution of each sum of *one thousand dollars* shall give the contributing body the right to cast *one* vote. All moneys specially appropriated shall be sacredly applied to the object designated; but where any contributions or bequests are made without any specific designation, discretion in their application shall be exercised by the Convention or its Board of Agents.

ARTICLE VIII.

The Treasurer shall take charge of all moneys and specialities belonging to the Convention, and keep separate accounts of the amounts contributed for different objects, and render regular accounts of them to the Convention at its stated meetings, and, also, to the Board, when called upon to do so. He shall be elected by the Convention at its stated meeting, and shall hold his office until the last day of the next meeting, and until another shall be elected and give bond and enter upon the duties of his office. For the faithful discharge of his trust he shall give bond and security to the Convention, in such sum of money as they shall from time to time direct. He shall pay no money out of the funds but by the order of the Convention or Board, signed by the presiding officer. And should the said office become vacant by death, resignation or removal, the said vacancy shall be filled by an election by the Board of Agents, and the person so elected by the Board shall hold his office until the next stated meeting of the Convention, and until another shall be elected, give bond and security, and enter upon the duties of his office. And the Treasurer so elected shall give bond, and do all the duties required, and in the same manner as if elected by the Convention.

ARTICLE IX.

The Convention may use its discretion in having either an annual or biennial meeting. But in cases of important concern, and especially when the arrangement for a biennial session has been made, the President may, at the instance of the Board, call an earlier meeting.

ARTICLE X.

Any alteration which experience may prove to be necessary, may be made in these Rules, by the concurring vote of two-thirds of the members present at an annual or biennial meeting.

ABSTRACT OF MINUTES

OF THE

BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF FURMAN UNIVERSITY.

GREENVILLE, JULY 25, 1856.

The Board met, the following members being present: I. L, Brookes, J. R. Kendrick, T. Curtis, C. J. Elford, R. Furman, T. P. Lide, J. B. O'Neall, A. J. Lawton, J. A Lawton, J. J. Brantly, Z. Watkins, A. Rice, J. Culpeper, H. D. Duncan, J. W. Brooks, W. P. Hill, H. A. Duncan, I. Nicholes, T. B. Roberts, J. G. Landrum, B. C. Pressly, E. T. Winkler, P. E. Duncan, J. M. Chiles. Prayer by Brother Landrum.

Dr. Gauntt submitted his resignation as Professor of Chemistry.

Passed resolutions expressive of the sense of the Board in regard to the loss sustained by the death of Bro. H. J. Dean.

Filled the vacancy thus occasioned by the election of the Rev. Dr. Manly.

Resolved, That under the peculiar circumstances of the case, Mr. R. Bryan, of Edgefield, be released from the bond given by him to the Agent of the University.

Requested Prof. Boyce to deliver his inaugural on Wednesday evening.

The Reports of the Faculty, of the Agent of the University, and of the Executive Committee of the Greenville Baptist Female College, were presented, and referred to several Committees.

The Executive Committee of Furman University reported.

Referred the account of Mr. Jones, Architect, to the Executive Committee.

The Treasurer's Report was presented, and referred to its appropriate Committee.

Appointed P. E. Duncan, T. B. Roberts and C. J. Elford a Committee to confer with the students of the University in regard to the erection of a monument to Prof. Mims.

Resolved, That the sons of Prof. Mims have the privilege of passing through the University free of tuition charge.

Instructed the Treasurer to make a full investigation of our financial affairs, and to report thereon at our next meeting, and at each annual meeting.

Resolved, That the Treasurer's bond hereafter be executed with security to the amount of $20,000.

C. J. Elford tendered his resignation as Treasurer, whereupon C. H. Judson was unanimously elected to that office.

Appointed P. E. Duncan, T. B. Roberts, and C. J. Elford a committee to obtain a lot not exceeding half an acre for the burial purposes of Furman University.

E. T. Winkler was unanimously elected Adjunct Professor of Theology and of Ancient Languages.

Authorized the Executive Committee of the Greenville Baptist Female College to appropriate from the funds of that Seminary, an amount not exceeding $250, for the purchase of apparatus.

Appointed Dr. Paslay to act as Collecting Agent for the University.

Resolved, That the Agent be instructed forthwith to make arrangements towards completing the $50,000 endowment.

Resolved, That the Treasurer and Agent of the Board be instructed to use all diligence to collect all bonds which are due to the Board. That the Agent be also instructed to represent the necessities of the Board to those persons who have given bonds upon the understanding that the principal thereof should not be demanded, and that he ask such obligors to pay said bonds if convenient to them.

J. Culpeper tendered his resignation as a member of the Board. Whereupon a vote of thanks was passed for his services, and J. O. B. Dargan was elected to supply his place.

Appointed B. C. Pressly, J. A. Lawton, J. J. Brantly, A. J. Lawton and T. P. Lide a Board of Visitors to attend the examination in Furman University.

Appointed I. L. Brookes, R. Furman, P. E. Duncan, A. Rice, J. G. Landrum, and T. B. Roberts a Board of Visitors to attend the examination in the Greenville Baptist Female College.

Appointed P. E. Duncan and C. J. Elford a Committee to obtain the Treasurer's bond.

Appointed Dr. Curtis, Dr. Manly, B. C. Pressly, E. T. Winkler, J. G. Landrum and Dr. Paslay to represent this Board at the Theological Convention in Louisville.

R. Furman tendered his resignation as a member of the Executive Committee of the Female College, and H. A. Duncan was appointed to fill his place.

Authorized the Executive Committee of the Female College to take up subscriptions for its benefit on the scholarship plan, to apply only to $500 subscriptions.

Appointed Mr. T. E. Hart Adjunct Professor of Mathematics, with the understanding that the duties of the School of Chemistry and Natural Philosophy be performed by the Professor and the Adjunct Professor of Mathematics.

Passed a resolution recommending the study of the Modern Languages to the students of Furman University.

Resolved, That the next commencement be on Thursday before the 4th Lord's day in July; and that the commencement in the Female College be on Friday.

Appointed B. C. Pressly, T. B. Roberts, C. J. Elford, R. G. Edwards, and E. T. Winkler a Committee to request a copy of Prof. Boyce's inaugural for publication.

Adjourned to meet at Greenville on Wednesday evening before the 4th Lord's day in July next, at 8½ o'clock.

R. Furman, *Secretary.*

A LIST

OF

BAPTIST MINISTERS IN SOUTH-CAROLINA,

WITH THEIR POST OFFICES.

NAMES.	POST OFFICES.
Adair, John (L.*)	West Union,
Allen, Joel	Marion C. H.
Anderson. C. A. T.	Greenville C. H.
Ashburn, J. M.	Robertville,
Ashley, W.	Craytonville,
Acker, A.	Calhoun,
Ariail, J.	Pickensville,
Ayres, Wm.	Marion C. H.
Babb, R. F.	Calhoun P. O.,
Backus, J. A.	Mars Bluff,
Ballard, W. L.	Greenville C. H.
Barnett, M. C.	Spartanburg, C.H.
Bartlett, H. T.	Lotts'
Barton, H. M.	Fairplay,
Bateman, J. J.	Society Hill,
Baxley, Wm. C.	Barnwell C. H.
Bealer, G. B.	Darlington C. H.
Beattie, W. Q.	Bennettsville,
Beck, W.	Darlington C. H.
Bell, G.	Lotts'
Bell, Joel	Millersville,
Beverly, W. D.	Gadsden,
Blackman, W.	Hickory Head,
Bodie, D.	Red Hill,
Blythe, D.	South Saluda,
Boyce, Prof. J. P.	Greenville,
Boyd, W B.	Simpson's Mills,
Bradford, R.	Silverton,
Brantly, J. J.	Newberry C. H.
Breaker, C. M.	Charleston,
Breaker, D. M.	Monk's Corner,
Breaker, J. M. C.	Beaufort,
Brooker, John	Blackville,
Brooker, W.	Bull Swamp,
Brooks, G. W.	Greenville,
Brookes. I. L.	Hamburg,
Broom, J.	Silverton,
Brunson, D. D.	Duntonville,
Bruce, E .D.	Townville,
Burn, J. W.	Society Hill,
Burriss, B.	Anderson C. H.
Burriss, J.	" "
Burroughs, J. H.	Pickens C. H.
Campbell, T. J.	Limestone Spr'gs,
Cartledge, A. M.	Winnsboro,
Carpenter, F. G.	Piercetown,
Carson, W. B.	Gillisonville,
Cave, B. M.	Barnwell C. H.
Chambers, P.	Horse Shoe,
Chapman, J.	Pickens C. H.
Chastain, B. E.	
Chiles, J. M.	Greenwood,
Chovin, C. E.	Robertville,
Cohen, A. D.	St. Helenaville,
Coleman, J. D.	Marion C. H.
Collins, E.	West Union,
Copeland, J. T.	Flat Rock,
Corley, B. F.	Ninety-Six,
Crane, W.	Milford,
Culpeper, J.	Hartsville,
Curtis, Thos. D.D.	Limestone Spr'gs,
Curtis, Wm.	" "
Cuttino, D. W.	Georgetown,
Cuthbert, Lucius	Aiken,
Dargan, J. O. B.	Darlington,
Davis, C. (L.)	Pagesville,
Davis, C. J.	Walterboro,
Dawson, Thos.	Blackville,
Dean, C. P.	Calhoun,
Dean, Jesse	Greenville,
Dill, A.	Earlesville,
Dozier, A. S.	Mount Willing,
Drummond, S.	Woodruff's
Duncan, H. D.	Barnwell C. H.
Duncan, H. A.	Greenville,
Dunton, Henry	Merritt's Bridge,

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Edwards, Prof. P. C.	Greenville,
Edwards, R. J.	Bull Swamp,
Elkins, W. B.	Level,
Ezell, J.	Limestone Spr'gs,
Fail, N.	Hickory Head,
Felder, C.	Winnsboro,
Fenley, L.	West Union,
Fewox, J.	St. George,
Ferguson, Benj.	" "
Fort, A. H.	Lexington C. H.
Fox, Wm.	Walterboro,
Frean, Thos.	Columbia,
Fuller, R. W.	Beaufort.
Furman, Prof. J. C.	Greenville,
Furman, R.	"
Furman Samuel	Stateburg,
Furze, J. J.	Lawtonville,
Gains, N.	Line Creek,
Gambrell, J. M.	Calhoun,
Garrisson, J. E. (L.)	Spring Hill,
Getzen, I. P.	Collins'
Gibson, Samuel	Milford,
Gilbert, J.	Fountain Inn,
Gibbs, J. (L.)	Fairforest.
Gordon, Wm. (L.)	Union C. H.
Goss, J. H.	
Graham, N.	Sumter,
Green, J. C.	Pleasant Grove,
Grimes, G. C.	Laurens C. H.
Grimes, James	Storeville,
Gwin, W. W.	Youngsville,
Gwin, T. D.	Ridgeway.
Hays, B.	Twelve Mile,
Hayes, D.	Hickory Head,
Head, E.	Tunnel Hill,
Hicks, E.	Lynch's Creek.
Hicks, G. W. (L.)	Greenville,
Higgins, J. B.	Columbia,
Higgins, W.	"
Hill, J. A.	Catawba,
Hill, J. W.	St. George,
Hill, W. P.	Greenwood,
Hill, J. H.	Walterboro.
Hinton, L. C.	Chesterville,
Hinton, James	St. George,
Hitt, W.	Spring Grove,
Holder, B.	Twelve Mile,
Holland, E. D. (L.)	West Union,
Hoover, Jno. M.	Buford's Bridge,
Horn, A.	Lott's
Hudson, D.	Pickens C. H.
Huffman, J. C.	St. Matthew's,
Hunnicutt, J. R.	Pickens C. H.
Hiers, Michael	Walker's
Isbell, Samuel	Fair Play,
Jackson, B. A.	
Jeter, F. C.	Beaver Dam,
Jeter, J. T.	" "
Johnson, J.	Duck Branch,

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Johnson, J. K.	Williston,
Johnson, W. Jr.	"
Johnson, W. B. D.D.	Anderson C. H.
Johnson, W. S.	Speedwell,
Johnson, W. R.	Flat Rock,
Johnson, A. T.	Mount Zion,
Jones, J. C.	Rogersville,
Jones, W. T.	Mount Croghan,
Kay, James,	Due West Corner,
Kendrick, J. R.	Charleston,
Kendrick, J. G.	Pinckneyville,
Kennedy, A. L.	Cairo,
Kennemur,	Pickens C. H.
King, R.	Winsboro,
Kitchens, W. D. (L.)	Calhoun,
Knight, S.	Scuffletown,
Lagroon, J.	Lotts'
Landrum, J. G.	Fort Prince,
Lankford, W.	Gowensville,
Lanneau, C. H.	Greenville,
Lawton, Joseph J.	Allendale,
Lawton, J. A.	"
Lawton, J. S. (L.)	Lawtonville,
Lawton, W. A.	"
Leavell, J. (L.)	Anderson C. H.
Lecroy, H.	Fruit Hill,
Lee, T.	Gold Mine,
Linder, J. S.	Walker's,
Lindsay, E.	Holland,
Littlejohn, F. W.	Hurricane Shoals.
Long, J. (L.)	Mount Willing.
Long, W. B. (L.)	Greenville C. H.
Luther, J. H.	Pendleton,
Looper, T.	Dacusville,
Lynes, Samuel	Monk's Corner,
Lynes, G.	" "
McGuffin, A. W.	West Union,
Mahoney, H. W.	Friendship,
Manly, B. D.D.	Charleston,
Manly, Charles (L.)	"
Martin, W, J.	Marion,
Martin, W. P.	Gentsville,
Mason, T.	Camden,
Masters, G. W.	Anderson,
Matthews, T. D.	Honey Lane,
Matthis, J.	Mollohon,
Mauldin, B. F.	Williamston.
Mellichamp, T. W.	Beech Island,
Mendenhall, J. K.	Camden.
Moody, W. R. (L)	Greenville,
Mitchell, J.	"
Morris, J.	Darlington,
Morris, T.	Hamburg,
Morton, W. M.	Bachelor's Retr't,
Motes, J.	Mountville,
Mullanax, M.	Pinckneyville,
Murray, J. S.	Anderson,
Nance, J. C.	Wellsville,
Napier, R.	Mars Bluff,
Newland, J.	Carmel Hill,
Nichols, Isaac	Privateer,
Nix, J.	Steep Bottom,

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Norman, J. L.	Cross Keys,
Norris, A. P.	Graniteville,
Odum, J.	Brightsville.
Owen, J.	Pickens C. H.
Owens, W. C.	Yorkville,
Owings, M. C.	Logansville,
Paslay, H. W.	Greenville,
Pearce, T. J.	Laurens C. H.
Peterson, J. F.	Richardson,
Philips, J.	Pleasant View,
Phelps, J. C.	Society Hill,
Pinson, J. W.	Mountville,
Perry, E. (L.)	Grahamville,
Perry, B. F. D.	Beaufort,
Porter, C. M.	Ridgewood,
Powell, S.	Traveller's Rest,
Ray, J. J.	Blackville,
Ray, Thomas	Cross Keys,
Raymond, C. A.	Edgefield C. H.
Reynolds, J. L. D.D.	Columbia,
Rice, A.	Storeville,
Rice, W. D.	Sumter C. H.
Richards, Wm.	Savannah, Geo.
Robertson, T.	Scuffletown,
Roper, C.	Twelve Mile,
Rogers, J. E. (L.)	Camden,
Rogers, A. N.	"
Rollings, G.	Pleasant View,
Rollings, L. P.	" "
Rollings, J. B.	Kingstree,
Rollings, J. L.	Murray's Ferry,
Roper, T. L.	North Saluda,
Ross, John	Columbia,
Royall, William	Greenville,
Ritcher, S.	Walterboro,
Sams, M. W.	Greenville,
Sanders, W. T.	Barnwell C. H.
Sawyer, S.	Sawyersville,
Scruggs, D.	Cowpens,
Sharp, M. J.	Columbia,
Simmons, D.	Townville,
Singleton, W. B.	Fowler's Creek,
Spruell, S.	Simpson's Mills,
Stacey, C.	Jordan's "

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Staley, Casper	Kitchen's "
Stone, M. F.	Halseyville;
Suares, M. R.	Barnwell C. H.
Sullivan, N.	Walhalla,
Sweat, J. T.	Steep Bottom,
Swindall, D. D.	Greenville C H.
Thomas, J. A. W.	Bennettsville,
Timmons, E. B.	Effingham,
Timmons, J, M.	Effingham,
Trapp, John	Phœnix,
Turner, R.	Spartanburg C. H.
Tustin, J. P.	Charleston,
Tyler J.	Graham's,
Vandiver, H.	Silver Glade,
Vann, R. R.	Monticello,
Vaughn, J. C.	Cross Roads,
Vaughn, K.	Union C. H.
Vernon, J. T. W.	Rogersville,
Walkers, George	Walker's,
Walker, N. W.	"
Watkins, W.	Jordan's Mills,
Watkins, Z.	Coleman's X Roa's
West, John	Whitstown,
Whatly, E. L.	Edgefield C. H.
Whilden, R. F.	Darlington,
Wilbanks, S.	Silver Glade,
Willkins, S. B.	Leavenworth,
Williams, Arthur	Donald's,
Williams, J. G.	Blue House,
Williams, G. W. M.	Duck Branch,
Wilson, J. J.	Silver Glade,
Wilson, James	Piercetown,
Winkler, E. T.	Charleston,
Woodruff, R.	Woodruff's,
Woodward, S. C.	Williston,
Woodward, J. A.	"
Woodward, —	Little P[illegible]
Youman's J. N.	Gillison[illegible]
Young, T.	Abbevill[illegible]
Young, V.	Mount Hil[illegible]
Zealy, John T.	Columbia,
Zeigler, L. G.	Bull Swamp,
Zeigler, Lewis	Tyler's
Zeigler, J. A.	Kitchen's Mills,